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4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. \square Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Jeffrey S. Kapteyn on 08 DEC 05.

The application has been amended as follows: Claim 20, --a plurality of frusto-conical surfaces in communication with each slot;-- has been inserted between lines 10 and 11.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 1. Claims 1 15 and 20 23 have been allowed.
- 2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art of record neither discloses nor fairly teaches the claimed combination including a hangar, a pot, at least one collar having, *inter alia*, a plurality of slots, and a plurality of frusto-conical surfaces in communication with the slots.
- 3. This statement is not intended to necessarily state all the reasons for allowance or all the details why the claims are allowed and has not been written to specifically or impliedly state that all the reasons for allowance are set forth (MPEP 1302.14).

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Bret C. Hayes whose telephone number is (571) 272 6902. The

examiner can normally be reached on M-F 5:30 am to 2:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Teri P. Luu can be reached on (571) 272 7045. The fax phone number for the

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